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Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 18, 2000, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

## In the Specification:

In the first sentence of the specification noting the priority of the instant application, please change "U.S. Patent No. 5,843,849" to -- U.S. Patent No. 5,843,894 --.

On page 5, in the section titled "Brief Description of the Drawings":

please delete "Figure 2 shows the dose-effect relationship between L-lysine hydrochloride, administered intraperitoneally in hourly intervals, and the kidney uptake of 99m Tc-labeled Fab' fragments of the anti-CEA MAb NP-4 in BALB/c mice, after 4h (upper graph) or 24h (lower graph) post-injection.", and insert therefore:

-- Figure 2A shows the dose-effect relationship between L-lysine hydrochloride, administered intraperitoneally in hourly intervals, and the kidney uptake of 99m/Tc-labeled Fab' fragments of the anti-CEA MAb NP-4 in BALB/c mice, after 4 hours post-injection.

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